5. Raj Saran Verma
6. Ajai Kumar
7. Sheetal
8. Ravindra Kumar Singh
9. Javed Ansari
10. Dr. Rakesh Mishra
11. Dr. Raj Mehrotra
12. Dr. M. R. S. Kushwaha
13. Dr. G. K. Shukla
14. Dr. Yogesh Mishra
15. Rajiv Singh
16. Vijay Vikram
17. Virendra Bhatia
18. Mridul Rakash
19. S. C. Kallia
20. U. S. Bhardwaj
21. R. P. Singh
22. Raghwendra Misra
23. Anil Agarwal
24. Chung
25. Alok Srivastava
26. Pushkar Nath Kesharwani
27. Dharam Vir Singh
28. Virendra Singh
29. Mrs. Krishna Singh
30. Narendra Pratap Singh
31. Raj Kumar Shukla
32. J. P. Misra
33. Rakesh Agarwal
34. Roona Banerjee
35. Mrs. Indira Devi
36. Dharmendra Singh
37. Ramendra Singh Chauhan
38. Smt. Veena Chauhan
39. Ram Adhar Rai
40. Dr. S. N. Saxena
41. Gopal Albela
42. Smt. Aruna Sharma
43. Balraj Jetley
44. Amir Naqui Khan
45. M. M. Tripathi
46. Smt. Parveen Akhtar
47. Arvind Singh Gop
48. K. N. Sharma
49. Zafayubjilani
50. K. N. Sharma.

Threat to lives of some important personalities

255. SHRI ARANGIL SREEDHARAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the lives of some important personalities in the country are in danger because of terrorist activities; and

(b) if so, what steps are being taken by Government for providing adequate protection to them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The security has been provided to several VIPs on the basis of intelligence reports and individual threat perception by the respective State Government/Union Territory Administrations. The threat perception in the case of VIPs is reviewed from time to time and the security levels & arrangements are readjusted accordingly.

Attempt on the life of D. G. Doordarshan

256. SHRI T. CHANDRASEKHAR REDDY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether an attempt was made by terrorists in Delhi recently on the life of the Director General of Doordarshan resulting in injuries to him and the killing of his car driver;

(b) whether the culprits have since been apprehended; and

(c) what special security measures are being taken in Delhi and at other stations of Doordarshan and All India Radio to provide adequate safety to TV and AIR officials?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) Yes, Sir. On 13th June, 1991 at about 9.20 a.m. an attempt was made on the life of D.G., Doordarshan in Delhi resulting in injuries to him and his two security guards and the killing of his driver.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Eight officers of the All India Radio and Doordarshan in Delhi have been given personal protection and 13 officers/installations of the All India Radio and Doordarshan in Delhi have been provided armed guards. The Government of India have requested the State Governments to take appropriate measures for the security of officials working with Doordarshan and the All India Radio. The State Governments have been further requested to take special precautions for the protection of premises/equipment of Doordarshan and All India Radio.

U.S. Military and Economic aid to Pakistan

257. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE:
SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD:
SHRI SURESH PACHOURI:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware about the issuance of a U.S. Presidential Certification for Pakistan under the Pressler's law to enable Pakistan to be eligible to receive US military and economic aid;

(b) how much (i) military and (ii) economic aid is sought for by Pakistan and with what results; and

(c) what is the Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI MADHAVSINH SOLANKI): (a) Yes, Sir. The certification by the US President mandated by the Pressler Amendment has not been issued from 1990. Consequently, US military and economic assistance to Pakistan has been suspended with effect from 1st October, 1990. However, economic aid already in the pipeline was not terminated.

(b) The US Government have sought (i) US $113.556 million in military aid, and (ii) US $100 million in economic aid for Pakistan during the fiscal year 1992. In the absence of the Presidential Certification under the Pressler Amendment, these amounts cannot be disbursed.

(c) The issue of aid from the USA to Pakistan is a bilateral matter between two sovereign countries. It is the Government of India's policy not to comment on issues which are in the bilateral domain between the USA & Pakistan.

Activities of ULFA in Assam

258. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE:
SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD:
SHRI SURESH PACHOURI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether activities of sessionists and militants especially those of ULFA, in Assam have assumed alarming proportions, especially after the recent Assembly and Parliamentary Elections in the State; and

(b) if so, the number of persons, including foreigners, abducted and killed. indicating the details of the militants activities during election period and thereafter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) and (b) During the election period, the ULFA did not interfere in the process of election on 1-7-91 the ULFA kidnapped 14 persons including one Soviet mining engineer. According to a Press release of ULFA the Soviet mining engineer has been killed.